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## Office of the Mayor

Amy Ockerlander

### **PROCLAMATION OF EMERGENCY BY THE MAYOR OF DUVALL IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19, IN ORDER TO INSTITUTE EMERGENCY MEASURES TO PROTECT OUR EMPLOYEES AND THE COMMUNITY.**

**WHEREAS**, the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services, Governor of the State of Washington and King County Executive have declared national and state emergencies as a result of transmission of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, COVID-19 is a serious respiratory illness that may result in serious illness or death, is caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus, which is a new strain of coronavirus; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Duvall desires to declare an emergency in order to take such actions as may be necessary to protect the public health and safety; and

**WHEREAS**, the virus has to date proven to be highly contagious with no known cure, placing approximately 1 in 5 individuals in serious to critical condition because of contracting COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, the Centers for Disease Control (“CDC”) identifies the public health threat as “high”, with the potential for a global pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, the worldwide outbreak of COVID-19 and the effects of its extreme risk of person-to-person transmission throughout the United States, Washington State, and the City of Duvall significantly impacts the life and health of our people, as well as the economy of Washington State, and is a public emergency that affects life, health, property; and the public peace; and

**WHEREAS**, the City performs essential functions such as public safety, delivery of water and wastewater treatment; and

**WHEREAS**, the City is at high risk of being impacted by the novel coronavirus COVID-19, which upon diagnosis requires specific medical treatment and quarantine to reduce the virus’ spread throughout the general population; and

**WHEREAS**, the risk to City employees is real and the infection of just one employee may cause the mandatory quarantine of essential employees; and

**WHEREAS**, as of March 4, 2020 the number of confirmed cases in King County is currently 31, with dozens under observation and 10 known deaths have occurred because of the virus; and

**WHEREAS**, researchers at Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center and the University of Washington have shown that COVID-19 may have been circulating in Washington State for approximately 6-weeks; and

**WHEREAS**, in the event of community transition within the City of Duvall proactive measures are being taken to protect employees and the public, including the purchase of additional emergency supplies, potential sanitization of city facilities, support of impacted employees, and a potential reduction in service;.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, AMY OCKERLANDER, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF DUVALL DO HEREBY DECLARE:**

A state of emergency under the emergency powers delegated under RCW 38.52.070, DMC 3.12.090 and the City of Duvall Emergency Operations Plan dated October 2014 for the purpose of protecting public health and our employees as necessary, and allow for the purchasing of supplies and contracting for services that may be needed urgently without opportunity for budget amendment. This declaration only applies to services, supplies and executive policies directly related to the management of novel coronavirus COVID-19.

SIGNED AND DECLARED ON THE 4<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF March, 2020.

Approved as to form:

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Anne Marie Soto, City Attorney

CITY OF DUVALL

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Mayor Amy Ockerlander

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED

Jodi Wycoff  
Jodi Wycoff, City Clerk